

# The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:1.  
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.  
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## THE REVIVAL SEASON IS ON

Some Teaching is Necessary, but Salvation is the All Important Thing.

### COURAGE AND ENTHUSIASM ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS

There are certain seasons of the year when certain kinds of business prospers more than at other seasons. This is true of Sunday school work. It is also true of religious work of all kinds locally. There are seasons of refreshing when the church work of all kinds seems to take on new vigor and energy.

But with the church as a whole there is a constant growth, and revivals are going on all the time somewhere. This has been true of the past winter. The church has had a steady growth and the Spirit has been poured out in places in a remarkable manner, and many souls have been swept into the kingdom of grace.

But usually with the springing forth of the beautiful flowers, the singing of the birds, the warmth of the sun and the return to life of every form of vegetation, there is a sense of new life and a general revival spirit is felt, so that everybody and everything wants to do something.

There could have been no time selected that was more appropriate for the resurrection of Jesus than in the beautiful spring time. The bursting of the tomb, the bursting of the buds, the nestling of the birds, the shouts of the children as they put off their shoes and take their first run with their bare feet, all blend so beautifully, that all the earth looks brighter and happier.

Easter Sunday speaks so beautifully of the bursting of the band of death and the coming forth of our Lord from Joseph's new tomb. The bursting of egg-shells which discloses the pure white of the eggs, and then the removal of the white which surrounds the yolk and displays its beautiful golden color.

The egg is a beautiful picture of conversion, sanctification, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The breaking of the shell is the breaking of the sinners heart, and the removal of it is like removing the sins as far as the east is from the west from the individual. Then the white is a good representation of the pure clean sanctified life, and the yolk is the golden experience of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Referring again to Easter and the resurrection of Jesus, there was the bursting of the Roman seal that was meant to make the tomb secure and keep the body of Jesus within. Then came the rolling away of the stone, and then followed the quickening

power of the Holy Ghost that brought our Lord from the dead (Rom. 8:11) and out He came that beautiful bright Easter morning so early that He was out and gone before Mary arrived although she came so bright and early. John 20:1.

Yes, the revival reason is on. Easter times bring new life, new vigor, and it is a good time of year to revive the Sunday school work as well as to start into revival work for the salvation of souls. Many, many have been the prayers from honest hearts, pleading for a refreshing from the presence the Lord, as the beautiful warm days of summer approach. These prayers will not be passed by unnoticed by our Father above. Then we may look out for the revival fire to burn more vigorously than ever, the remainder of this year.

Those having grown cold from exposure to the deceitfulness of sin and the power of Satan should make their way back toward the sunny side of religion and be ready to fall in with the first shower of the Holy Ghost that comes, and in this way be ready to help some body else that may be worse off than themselves. "When thou art converted," said Jesus to Peter, "strengthen thy brethren." Luke 22:32.

We also want to make a loving appeal to those who have never been converted and had their sins washed away. There can be no doubt but the refreshing summer showers of the Holy Ghost are going to fall more abundantly, then take the admonition of Peter and get ready to receive your share of the benefits derived from the falling of these copious showers. "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord." Acts 2:19.

Of course, some teaching is necessary, but salvation is the all important thing now. Get saved. Get saved NOW, whether you understand the rest or not. Get the people saved. They will be easier taught, and hurry up about it. The copious showers are sure to come, and the time for us to work is while the Lord works. And we must so surrender ourselves to God that He can use us in any manner that pleases Him. Then He works in others in proportion to the way He works in us. "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all

that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." Eph. 2:20. And Paul, who did such wonderful things, declares that the power of God worked in him mightily. "Whereunto I also labor, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily." Col. 1:29.

Those engaged in revival work should be in such close touch with the Lord, and so deeply surrendered and spiritual that God can work in them as He knows is best for the salvation of others. "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Philippians 1:13. And it is always His good pleasure to work in us to make us soul-winners for Him.

The best and greatest results are not produced by great preaching alone, but they are given by God in answer to great prayers. The preaching is necessary, but the praying is also necessary in order to make the preaching effective. Tell the people how to get saved. Tell them that God will forgive them if they will repent of their sins. Tell them how to get sanctified. Tell them to go to Him in full consecration and humiliation, and surrender so completely they will remain quietly on the altar of sacrifice while the operation is performed. Tell them it is a death rout. Tell them it means death to the old man, instead of absolute perfection of the mind. Tell them it is an instantaneous work, when conditions are met, instead of a gradual growth that never ends. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach." Heb. 13:12, 13.

In this way the old man sin is slain. "Knowing this," says Paul, "that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin." Rom. 6:6, 7. Again Paul says, "Put off . . . the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts." Eph. 4:22. And again, "Put off the old man with his deeds." Col. 3:9. Then when all this is accomplished, a man can stand in the foot-prints of Paul and say with him, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Gal. 2:2.

Tell the people about the Holy Ghost and how to receive Him. Hold tarrying meetings where people can abandon themselves to God absolutely and tarry until they receive Him. One reason why people are not baptized with the Holy Ghost is because they do not tarry. Jesus says, "Tarry ye . . . until ye be endued with power from on high." Luke 24:49. Tell the people that the dis-

## Hurrah for the Evangel!

First issue in our new quarters. Now help us rejoice. Let us altogether give God the Glory due to His name.

Happy Easter tide! Jesus rose! Jesus rose! Tell the good news. Tell it abroad. Tell it for and wide. Tell it to all the world.

Happy resurrection morning. The Church of God Evangel carries the glad news. Now shout!

ciples abandoned everything else and tarried. And they were not disappointed. They did not feel sad and gloomy while they waited, but they were happy and full of rejoicing. "And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with GREAT JOY: And were continually . . . praising and blessing God." He that is sanctified wholly, and will do this, will soon be filled with the Holy Ghost.

In revival work, courage and enthusiasm are essential components. No one should become discouraged or stubborn because something occurs that does not meet with their approval. I've heard of some saying that certain persons or influences were hurting the work, but I'll tell you what will hurt a revival still more than that. For something to take place that some do not approve, and the workers get stubborn and refuse to sing, or pray or work on account of the things that they do not approve. That will kill any revival unless the preacher has sufficient courage and perseverance to shout and rejoice right over it until the workers will catch the enthusiasm and get ashamed of their frowns and side talks and cautions and break into the work as if nothing had happened to becloud their sense of propriety.

Whoever it is, whether man or woman, that loads up with responsibility and says, "I feel like I must take care of this work and put down everything that is improper," will be a hurt to a revival. You will see such a person pull off a few friends to one side and talk low about something, and look sad and his "sense of propriety," will be the greater hurt to the revival. I'd rather be alone than have a set of workers that will spend their time in that way when they ought to have grace enough to put a saddle on every apparent improper thing and ride it through with a shout of triumph. In revivals people need the courage of Paul and the fiery enthusiasm of Peter. Have these two virtues blended, in the preacher and all the workers, and a revival is sure. This will mean much prayer, much deep consecration on the part of the workers in their private devotion, and fire and victory in testimony, in song and at the altar in open services. Get the flame. Keep it burning with holy zeal and victory. never put out and look around to see if you can find something to criticize. Do not condemn, but edify. Do not accuse, but love. Do not testify at one another, but look sweet, and sweeten every body you can with the sweetness

wherewith God has sweetened you.

Do all this, and more as the Holy Spirit reveals, and the revival fire will burn in your bones, and this will touch others. And soon the refreshing shower from the presence of the Lord will fall and souls who are ready will be swept into the fold.

Hallelujah! I feel it coming now. It surely will come, and not tarry much longer. Glory!

### Gunten Park, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

After hearing brother Crowder preach a few times on sanctification and the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, I sought and obtained the wonderful experience. I was sanctified before I heard the doctrine preached. I had no knowledge of what the scriptures teach concerning the experience, but I had met conditions and God had given me just what I needed. I was the first at this place to receive the Holy Ghost, but a number have received since that time.

I can never express the joy, peace, and comfort, which the Holy Ghost brings into our lives. I know this is the right way.

We have wonderful meetings here. The Lord certainly does bless His people.

I wish I could go all over the world and tell every body about this wonderful salvation.

Please pray for me.

Your sister,  
Margaret Dean.

### Key West, Fla.

Dear Evangel Family:

May grace, love and peace be multiplied unto you.

I praise the Lord today for victory in my soul through the blood of Jesus. I am a member of the Lord's Church, which He said He would present without a spot or wrinkle. My prayers are constantly ascending to God, that He will cleanse away every defect and mould us in His image.

I do praise the Lord for the visit of our overseer. The Lord certainly did use brother Perry in giving out the word. The saints were edified and made to rejoice in the God of their salvation, and two were added to the church.

Dearly beloved, pray for them that have the rule over you for they watch for your souls.

Please pray that I may live at the feet of Jesus.

Your humble servant,  
W. F. Hesson.



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Please do your best to help us place the paper in a thousand new homes during the month of April. We are expecting soon to commence a series of articles in reply to Rev. S. K. Wheatlake in a Chicago paper and we want to place this before many thousands more readers.

### SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN.

To get the Church of God Evangel in the home of every member of the church.

I am sure that every member ought to read the Evangel every week. We must organize a plan of some kind to accomplish this. Let us make an immediate effort. Hopethe members who read the paper regularly will take an interest in the matter and try to get every member to be a paid up subscriber, or at least place the paper in every home.

I have already agreed to pay half the price for any of the members that the church consider too poor to pay, provided the church of which these poor are members will pay the other half.

This is certainly a liberal offer and the churches should make an extra effort, and where practicable and considered necessary make a regular canvass of all members and see that the paper is placed in the homes of every member.

Let us again say, Hurrah for the Evangel, and boost its circulation.

## Ft. Ogden, Fla.

Dear Evangel Family:

I am so glad to say that after living in sin sixty-eight years, I laid aside my old stone pipe and took up the cross of Christ, and He cleansed my heart from all sin and made me a free man. I am standing on the promises of God, and leaning on His everlasting arms.

I am ready and waiting to meet my Savior in the glory land, where I can shout and praise Him forever. I am seventy years of age, and will soon be there.

Please pray for me.

Your brother,  
Isaac Johns.

## Millport, Ala.

Dear Editor and Friends:

Through Jesus I still have the victory. I am so glad I am on the Lord's side, walking in the light as it comes to me. I am pressing onward to the deeper experiences of grace.

I know the Lord has redeemed me with His own precious blood, and baptized me with the Holy Ghost. He heals me too, when I need a physician.

This is a great salvation. The manner in which God is dealing with His people in these last days, is indeed marvelous. I appreciate the privilege of living in this age of the world.

I do not live near a church, therefore I do not have the privilege of meeting with the saints in worship; but I read the Evangel, which is a comfort and blessing to me.

Your sister,  
Eileen Janes.

## Called Home.

Our dear Sister Cora Rogers, daughter of Sister Fussell, of Alva, Fla., departed this life Mar. 12, 1917. A husband, father, mother, three sisters and many friends, are left to mourn her loss.

Sister Cora was baptized with the Holy Ghost, and a faithful member of the Church of God. We shall never forget her glowing testimony. During the last few hours of her life, her sufferings were the most intense, but she prayed and praised the Lord as long as she was conscious.

Her sister in Jesus,

Annie Edenfield,  
Wimauma, Fla.

## At Rest.

After an illness of four weeks with typhoid fever, Brother Willie Nelson of Rockwood, Tenn., on Mar. 10 1917, went to be with Jesus. He was a faithful christian, baptized with the Holy Ghost, and trusted God to the end.

Please pray for the widow left to mourn his loss, who is also ill with typhoid fever.

A brother,  
Sam. Thornburg.

## Finleyson, Ga.

Dear Editor and Readers:

We are truly glad to sound the gospel of Jesus Christ to our lost people in this dark corner of the world.

Brother M. S. Lemons and Jno. L. Stephens were with us recently, for several days.

Brother Lemons is a mighty

man in the scriptures; the Lord used him wonderfully in giving out the word rightly devided, in all of its beauty.

The saints were truly blessed, and gave thanks to God, with shouts of praise and dancing for the glory of the Lord.

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for the brethren to dwell together in unity; that the Lord can bless His people.

On Tuesday night as brother Stephens was preaching to us, the Holy Ghost came in and took possession of the services, and of course we shouted for joy and gave up to Him, and let Him have His way. The time was well spent in praises, talking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, and dancing in the joy of the Lord.

Five were added to the church; three from the Apostolic Holiness church, and two from the Missionary Baptist church.

We long to see brothers Lemons and Stephens come to us again. May God bless them in their efforts to advance the cause of Christ.

Yours for Jesus,  
Barney A. Reynolds.

## A Miracle of the Last Day.

To the Household of Faith:

In Eldorado, Ill., God has demonstrated His power and willingness to heal the sick.

About nine months ago Edna Hops, a girl of about eighteen years, was paralyzed, and taken to Harrisburg for an operation, but never walked a step for seven months. She was as helpless as a baby, and had to be carried around.

On Sunday night her parents brought her to church, and asked the people of God to pray for her healing. We prayed for her, the power of the Holy Ghost came upon her, and she was saved and healed at the same time, and walked, jumped and shouted all over the house for one and one-half hours. This miraculous, instantaneous healing has stirred Eldorado. Some said she became excited; that it would amount to nothing, and the day afterward, the family had a house full of visitors. But regardless of all unbelief, God is honoring His Holy Child Jesus.

D. P. Barnett.

## A call from Friendsville, Tenn.

I request every reader to pray for God to send some one, full of the Holy Ghost, to Friendsville, Tenn., to preach the full Gospel. We desire more light on the Word of God.

I am saved and sanctified, but have not been baptized with the Holy Ghost.

Your sister in Christ,  
Maggie Huffman.

## A Request.

I want to ask every child of God to pray a special prayer for my dear sister, Stella Pendergrass, who has been afflicted with cancer for two years. She has had two operations, but is no better by having had them. She suffers a great deal; and we know she cannot be cured except by power divine.

Pray that she may be sanc-

# A REMARKABLE CONVERSION

## The God of Saul of Tarsus Yet Living

Dear Friends:

Knowing that you are all interested in the great work of God, and in the advancement of the cause of Christ, I desire to give you an instance of His miracle-working power. The conversion of brother Mack Price, who, though not a sinner of the same type as Saul of Tarsus, yet was a very great sinner indeed.

Brother Mack was an outlaw; and had caused no little trouble in his country. But the time came when the Spirit of God spoke to his heart, and he surrendered, repented, paid the price and God saved, sanctified and baptized him with the Holy Ghost. However, he had been prosecuted prior to his conversion, for selling strong drinks, but when he was brought before the court and the witnesses were sworn, it was evident that they did not want to convict him because of the great change in his life. The judge called brother Price to the stand and asked him if he were guilty; he replied, "I am guilty; I cannot afford to tell a falsehood." He then proceeded to give the judge an account of how God had forgiven him of his sins, and then told him to send him to the penitentiary if he chose, that he could tell the prisoners of this great salvation. The judge gave him a sentence of four months in the gang, and told the sheriff to take him to jail: He went to shouting; and when he arrived at the jail, began preaching to the prisoners in such a loud voice that he disturbed the court, and the judge sent him word to not preach during court hours, but when the messenger got there, brother Price was preaching with such power, he could not tell him just then. The prisoners, too, were melted under the influence and power of the Holy Spirit. During the sermon brother Price took some live coals from the heater and held them in his hand while he preached.

The next day the judge called for him and said: "Mack are you willing to pay the cost?" He answered, "I am." The judge then said, "I will take the sentence off and let you pay the cost."

Brother Price is a German. He came to America at the age of nineteen years. Now while his country is in war with the nations, he is in America, fighting in the Army of the Lord against sin and Satan. At present he is in Turtletown, N. C., taking care of the Lord's little flock.

Praise the Lord for such a wonderful salvation.

Your brother in Christ,  
T. A. Richard.

tified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and if it can be God's will, healed.

Maggie Poe,  
Hixon, Tenn.

## IN JAIL

For the Word of God.

Thursday morning, Apr. 5, as we go to press a wire message came from sister Delia Brouayer, Strawn, Texas, stating that brother Brouayer is in jail. No particulars given. Hope to have the particulars and other information for the paper next week.

## ARE YOU SAVED?

L. J. Vollrath.

The majority of people today, are on their way to hell; but seem to be unconscious of the fact. Some realize their condition; others will not stop long enough to think. They are going in a mad rush for pleasure, riches, worldly honor, and for everything but God.

"Go ye into all world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. (Mark 16; 16-18). Some one will say, "Oh I believe, and have been baptized; I am a Baptist from head to foot." But do the signs appear in your church? and do you live free from sin? No. Well, you must repent, get saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and you will speak with other tongues.

"Oh yes." I hear some one say, "you are one of those Holiness fanatics, and we do not have to take what you have to say about it." Quite true; you don't have to take, neither do we want you to take, what we say about it; but you DO have to take what the Bible says if you are justified in the sight of God. If you live according to the word of God if you keep His commandments, you will be filled with the Spirit and speak with other tongues.

A great many church members say they can't live without sin, and I suppose they can not, as they have never been saved. It means a great deal to be saved from our sins. When we get saved, and sanctified, and filled with the Spirit, we have no desire to sin. We do not want to drink intoxicants, curse, chew tobacco, go to shows, etc.

We are transformed; we are "made over;" our desires are different; we hate the sinful practices in which we were once engaged, and our hearts are full of love and praise to God.

The advancement of His cause is our one ambition. If this is not our experience, we are far from the "narrow way" of the Bible.



## Needed, More Interest in Every Phase of the Lord's Work

SAM C. PERRY

In our public services there is always a tendency to fall into a beaten out rut or channel, and have things over and over after the same fashion.

A sameness in the Sunday morning service, a sameness in the Sunday school and prayer services, and the testimonies are often the same thing repeated over and over, as also the prayers.

Now we do not mention these things by way of a criticism, but there is a danger of losing interest, and the work falling off, if we do not remedy these things some times.

We should labor to keep the interest up to the highest pitch, and even where we have done our best there is little enough accomplished, and people often get tired of the same things again and again, unless we have learned how to dress up the same thoughts and truths in new words and put them in a new light or in a different way. It has been said that "variety is the spice of life," and this is true in our religious work, too.

In undertaking the accomplishment of some difficult task men have tried one way and then another and another until they found the best way of meeting the difficulties and carrying out their purpose, and so in the work of saving souls. We must not think that God has only one way of doing things, or one way to reach hearts, He uses many methods and means of carrying on His work.

The sermon reaches one, and good ringing testimony another, and a prayer touches another while another may be touched with the song. We need then to so be in the Spirit at all times that the Lord may be able to work as He pleases, and not be so formal that the Holy Ghost is crowded out or else has to work to suit a cut and dried program.

Then there are times when the Lord can use some evangelist or minister to stir your people, more than He can use you. Some times people get so accustomed to a minister that his preaching and everything he does is old to them, and some minister they have never seen may be greatly used in bringing a revival. This is a very natural thing and should not cause surprise. If a pastor keeps up a fresh interest in his work at the same place for as much as three or four years, he must move forward in prayer and Bible study and make progress or people will soon learn all that he knows and he can lead them no further, hence his preaching to them becomes uninteresting, and he feels that he is not appreciated, etc., and work drops, and all hands become feeble and faint. So in most cases it is best to change pastors occasionally, at least every two years, and in some cases every year. Some times we have noticed evangelists going right over the same territory until they more themselves out with the people, and

perhaps they never knew what was the trouble. Hunt a new field brother. When you shot all the game your gun will reach let another who uses a calibre which is a little different try his hand there.

Then as to the services, some times it is best not to have a testimony meeting. If you are a leader study to know when that time comes, and there are times when a good testimony meeting is just the thing to meet things. But we have seen meetings talked to death by a lot of dry testimonies, and there are some who get up from time to time and speak the same things over and over. Try to avoid this, have something new and fresh every time to speak for the glory of God. Tell your feelings and experiences in a new and better way from time to time, and don't exalt self but Jesus.

The Sunday school should be conducted in a way, too, to keep out of a cut and dried way. The teachers should so study the lessons and store their minds with truths in connection with the lesson that they will make it interesting for every member of the class, when they come together. There are so few good Sunday school teachers. The lesson should be made interesting for the children, and they will love the Sunday school and it will be a blessing to them. But to how many is it a drag, they care not go there and hear the teacher read the questions and answers. Let us stir ourselves on this line dear Sunday school workers.

Then a good thing for any church is a good Bible class, when there is a suitable person, either man or woman to teach it. How often this has worked good to the church and community.

It could occupy Sunday afternoon or any night in the week that is not used for something else.

This class should be made just as spicy and interesting to both young and old as possible. It could be greatly used in spreading the truth and establishing the saints if properly conducted.

We believe that box suppers, parties, entertainments and every thing of a worldly nature is an abomination to the Lord, but we are sure that He wants us to use every means possible to extend the gospel, save souls, and prepare His bride for translation, and judging from the coldness, lack of interest, falling away, etc., that may be seen along the way, there is plenty of room for improvement in the present day methods. Let us one and all make an effort in every possible way to move forward.

**WANTED**—A position with some Church of God family by a widow lady with one boy 13 years old and a member of the Church of God at Largo, Fla. Address, Mrs. H. H. Leigh, Largo, Fla.

### Preston, Md.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

It does my soul so much good to read the Evangel. It encourages me to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3: 14); "looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith" (Heb. 12: 2). I was converted in the Methodist Church, when a girl of fifteen years; and lived a justified life the very best I knew. Eleven years ago some Holiness people came our way preaching sanctification. God gave me the light, and sent such conviction to my heart, that I saw I must either go on and get sanctified, or backslide. Praise His Name, I went on. I have never regretted that I walked in the light.

Two years ago the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. (Acts 2: 4). These are the best days of my life. The Comforter brings joy and peace with the world know nothing about. I am so glad I learned that Jesus can heal, and does heal, today just as He did long ago. Praise His Name forever! I am on the victory side with a determination to go through with Jesus.

Your sister in Christ,  
Mrs. S. W. Harding.

### Southside, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints—Greetings in the name of Jesus:

After having lived in sin thirty-nine years, in January 1917, I was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Friends, I want everybody to know that God has saved me—a horse-swapper! Would you believe it? My people were all Methodists and Baptists, and tried to lead me that way, but I could never believe in them.

As soon as I heard this gospel preached, I did everything I could against it for a while, but soon found that I was wrong and they were right. I then began seeking God, whom I soon found, and am now rejoicing in this great salvation.

This is a clean way, and the only way to heaven. The joy and blessing obtained in this life, to say nothing of the life beyond, is worth far more than the price I had to pay.

I am delighted with the Church of God.

Your brother in Christ,  
C. B. Coke.

### Anclote, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

I am praising God for sending Sister Cotton, Sister Blanche Koon, and Sister Lula Jones, to Anclote to preach the true gospel. I accepted it; and the Lord saved me, sanctified me, and gave me the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Praise His Name!

I want the saints to pray that my wife may receive a deeper experience.

The power of the devil at this place is strong, but with the help

of the Lord we can overcome. Praise the Lord!

Your brother in Christ,  
J. H. Johns.

### Daisy, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

I am rejoicing in this free and full salvation which has come to us through the precious Blood of Jesus. I know I am a child of God, for He gave me the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, just as the disciples did at Pentecost. I am trusting God for soul and body; and by His grace I mean to go through.

Your sister,  
Lora Wynn

### Dublin, Miss.

Dear Evangel Family:

I have been a sufferer since May, 1916. I am hardly able to write, but I desire to ask the prayers of the saints. I am saved, and sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and am trusting my body in the hands of the Lord. I have told the Lord that I am willing to live or die, or suffer. I want you to pray that I may endure my suffering with patience.

Your sister,  
Laura Nelson.

### McCall, S. C.

To the Saints Everywhere—Greetings:

Dearly beloved, there are only two churches in the state of South Carolina. So many have never heard of the Church of God.

If I were to try, I could not describe the awful condition of the people. Do they have preaching? Yes; and almost every kind except the right kind. It is sad to see them gather from time to time, and be fed with nothing save mere husks.

The overseer of the state is trying to get a tent with which to evangelize the state. I hope everyone will pray that God will supply this need. We are going to do our best to cover a good portion of the state through the summer season; and I am sure you will feel repaid, as the Evangel brings to you the reports of souls being saved.

Mary McHargue.

### Morristown, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I was blessedly sanctified about ten years ago, and about one year later, was baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, though at that time I did not know the Bible taught such an experience.

I was a member of the Church of God at one time, and withdrew from the church, but when brother Payne came and led me into the light more perfectly, I reunited with the church.

I feel that the Lord would have me go out into the mountains to work for Him, and desire to ask the earnest prayers of all the readers. Brother Lee is here for a few days meeting. Please pray that the Lord will bless the efforts put forth for Him.

Your sister in Jesus,  
Francis Bacon.

### Heflin, Ala.

To the Saints of God—Greetings in Jesus name:

I praise God for victory through the Blood of Jesus.

I am in a good meeting now. Two have received the Holy Ghost. Several are seeking.

Brother Otis McCoy, wife and daughter are with me, and I am expecting Aunt Sue Burton in our band as soon as we can get into tent work.

I need a living tent, oil stove and a lamp for the gospel tent. If the brother who promised to give us the living tent will send it, or write us, we will appreciate it very much.

I am almost ready to start out in tent work. People in every direction are begging us to come and I am anxious to go. Please pray that God will supply us with an outfit for camping.

Ask the Lord to give us many souls this year.

Thy brother,  
J. B. Ellis.

### Hickory Point, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am glad to report victory in my soul. Brother Marshal Weakley, my wife, and I, have just closed a meeting here at Hickory Point. Seven were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. There are about thirty to be baptized, and twenty to come into the church. This is a ripe harvest field. We expect to begin a meeting next Saturday, at Fox Bluff. Please pray for us.

Your humble servant,  
Lee McGill.

### Canton, N. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to write a few words for Jesus because He has done so much for me.

The Lord is working in Canton; five have lately received the Holy Ghost. We have no church here, but I am praying that we will have one soon.

Recently, I was called to pray for a sick baby, and while we were praying the father was baptized with the Holy Ghost. "For we heard him speak in tongues."

The people said the child would die if they did not get a doctor, but as we prayed and laid hands upon it, the healing power came, and in an instant the child was healed.

The gospel was first preached in Canton about two years ago. There are about fifteen who have the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

Please pray for us, that we may stand true, and hold the banner high.

Your sister in Christ  
Dulcinea Davis.

### Alachua, Fla.

Dear Editor and Evangel Family:

I have been a reader of the Evangel for some time, and appreciate it very much. It is such a comfort to my poor hungry soul.

God has wonderfully blessed us, but I desire the prayers of the saints, that we as a community, may be able to press forward and receive more light on the Word of God.

Your unworthy sister,  
Mrs. Lora Hadsock,



**Darburn, Miss.**

Dear Editor and Friends:

My heart goes out in gratitude to God for shining upon my path-way, in these the latter days, this marvelous light. Life is so much sweeter since I've been living for Jesus.

We have cottage prayer meeting every week, and the Lord "confirms the word with signs following."

We are building a new church, and will soon have it ready for dedication. Please pray that God will convict and save the people.

I had the privilege of hearing brother J. A. Davis, Thursday night, as he gave out the truth under the mighty power of God. It was food to my soul.

May God bless the efforts that are being put forth for the salvation of the lost world.

Your sister in Christ,  
Mrs. H. M. Bracey.

**Middlesboro, Ky.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints:

I wish we could talk face to face. I long for the time when we shall all be together with Jesus, our blessed Redeemer.

God has done great things for us, and we love Him with all of our hearts.

I want to ask the children of God to pray for the work of God at this place. We were once organized, and in unity, but the enemy came against us and to a great extent prevailed; but we praise the Lord for the few who are standing true. We want to do the whole will of God. please pray for us.

Your brother,  
C. W. Everly.

**Morgantown, Miss.**

My Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in the Name of the Crucified Saviour, who spilled His precious Blood on Calvary for our redemption:

It has been just a few years since we heard of this wonderful salvation, but it is not new; the plan was made before the foundation of the world. It gets better and more glorious, as we go on to know more of God.

My heart is filled with joy as I read the Church of God Evangel. We have been subscribers ever since we heard of the way of holiness.

We had a good meeting in Morgan Town, conducted by Brother J. A. Davis.

Please pray for me and for my family.

Your brother,  
C. C. Morgan.

**Crane Eater, Ga.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for the blessings He has given me. He has saved, sanctified, baptized me with the Holy Ghost, and healed my body. I've been in the way two years. I am so glad I have found just what my soul was hungering for.

The Lord has certainly honored this people with His mighty presence and power.

Pray for us that we may stay in the center of His will.

Effie Dupree.

**Oneonta, Ala.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Friends:

There is in my heart today, a deep settled peace, which no one can take from me. Glory to God!

I am so glad the Holy Spirit led me into the humble way, where I can walk with Jesus, and have protection from sin and Satan.

We are very grateful to God for sending brother and sister Hickman to preach the gospel to us; but we need a preacher now to preach to the many hungry souls.

Pray for this place.

Olie Newson.

**Olney, Ill.**

To God's Children Everywhere—Greetings:

Jesus is so precious to me; a present helper in every time of need.

I am so glad brother and sister Trim came to Illinois to preach the gospel; I am one of the few who accepted it.

When I first heard this gospel, I was a backslider; but I soon met conditions and was converted, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

There are seven of us in family, and we all trust God for healing.

This is a needy field; people are deceived with nearly all kinds of false doctrines.

Please pray for us.

Your brother in Jesus,  
M. J. Curl.

**Liverwort, Tenn.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson And Saints Everywhere:

God is wonderfully blessing here in Liverwort. Before Christmas there were thirty-five members; now there are fifty. Sinners are getting under conviction, and some have been so deeply convicted they sent during the night for the saints to come and pray for them.

Brother and Sister Aylor did some good work, but they are gone to Florida, so we have no preacher now; we are expecting the Lord to send us one soon. We are expecting great things from God.

Thomas Milom.

**Alachua, Fla.**

Dear brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

I am praising God for complete salvation. He has saved, sanctified, and baptized me with the Holy Ghost; and I'm rejoicing today, in my Savior's love. I am trusting God to lead me on to deeper things.

I had to give up every thing for Jesus, but I am more than repaid for all I ever gave up. I love Him with all of my heart, and want to walk close by His side.

Bessie Peeples.

**London, Ky.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

If the words spoken to Peter by Jesus when He said feed My sheep had also been spoken to Brother John W. Pitcher when

he came to London the messages delivered could not have been more aptly or effectually spoken.

Brother Pitcher found us far short of our duty but by his faithful, effective labors, consecrated life and preaching under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, led us to a plane of victory and zeal that is sure to tell in eternity.

Almost the entire opposition to the doctrine of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit was overcome.

Those who had rejected or denounced the teaching attended the services and endorsed the meeting.

A number were blessed in the congregation and at the altar.

More than twenty were at the altar at the closing service, and conviction is quite general in the town which I am sure is only a splendid preliminary to a camp meeting Brother Pitcher has promised to conduct for us beginning June 17.

We are praising God for the grace He is bestowing. Pray for us.

Your brother in Christ.

George F. Lucas.

**Ensley, Ala.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

I am rejoicing today in this great salvation. The Lord has been very merciful to me. He has saved me from all of my sins, cleansed my heart, and given me the Comforter whom He promised to His disciples.

I am living where I do not have the privilege of meeting with God's people, but each week my soul is fed by the little Evangel. As I read its pages I can feel the power that comes from the pen of the inspired writers.

We praise the Lord for the few services conducted here, by brother Simpson and a band of workers. There was shouting, dancing, and talking in tongues. One lady was saved, and another came into the church. There were several seekers in the altar, and the people in general were interested. They love brother Simpson and want him to come again.

Please Pray for me and my family.

Your sister in Christ,  
Lillian Zollicoffer.

**Tuscumbia, Ala.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I desire to praise the Lord today, especially for His healing power. Our little girl of seven years was taken very sick with pneumonia fever, and became quite seriously sick indeed. We prayed and prayed; we called for the saints, and they prayed; still my child was no better. My faith failed and I went for some medicine, and gave it to her. She grew rapidly worse. So I suggested to my wife that we turn the case over to the Lord and trust Him; then we knelt and placed everything in the hands of the Lord, and are continuing to trust Him for her complete restoration to health.

No man can preach the Bible without preaching divine healing, and it occurs to me that it is a poor preacher, who does not practice what he preaches.

I have been informed that the "Church of God folks are wrong, but I have concluded they are

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right, and the only people who stand for "the signs following."

You had better watch the devil; he will cause you trouble. I have been identified with the "Finished Work of Calvary," "No church but a Universal Church," etc. But I have decided that I can't keep all the commandments unless I get into the Church of God, pay tithes, and have some body to look after me.

Your brother,  
J. W. Brown.

**Note Of Warning.**

To The Churches Of God Scattered Abroad.

We feel it would be a protection to the flocks in different localities to inform them through The Church Of God Evangel, that E. W. Simpson and wife, Emma Simpson, are no longer members of the Church of God.

And warn against him or her entering in and conducting services in the Church Of God, as they are dangerous in their teaching.

Action taken by the church at Newport Va., Mar. 24, 1917.

Yours for the salvation of souls and the defence of the Church Of God,

T. L. McLain,  
Overseer of Va.

**New Churches Organized.**

At Rising Fawn, Ga., five new members and seven transferred from other churches.

They have purchased a lot and expect to use the little house that is on it this summer and in the fall build a new one. I. D. Bain takes charge as pastor.

At Estell, Ga., with six new members and three transferred making nine in all. This is the place where Sallie O. Lee was last summer, and got the fire started. I. D. Bain takes care of the lambs and will feed the sheep.

Brother Geo. T. Brouayer reports victory in Texas. He has organized two churches and afterward combined the two and made one strong church with quite a good number of members. He feels that he cannot accomplish as much as if he had a tent. He covets the prayers of the saints that God may open up a way for him to get a tent.

**Communion Service.**

Easter Sunday night at Ridgedale, Tenn.

We want all who can to come and enjoy the feast with us.

J. L. Scott, Pastor.

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**Pray For Sister Leatherman.**

Sister Lucy M. Leatherman, our South American missionary is probably now on her way down the west coast of South America going from Panama to Valparaiso, Chili.

As she enters the great work of God to introduce the Church of God in the great continent, she needs our prayers, sympathy and hearty co-operation.

As soon as we know her established address we will give it in the Evangel and we want a number of our loved ones to write her letters of cheer and love, and tell her you are praying for her.

**Asleep In Jesus.**

Jane Endelle Harper fell asleep in Jesus Mar. 16, 1917. She leaves to mourn her loss, a father, mother, five sisters, and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. E. L. Knowles.

Pray that the Holy Spirit will soothe the bereaved ones.

Dolma Hamilton.